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Mr. G. E. Morrell, (Crown Solicitor) prosecuted, and Mr. R. Harding appeared for the accused.

Mr. Morrell, in opening, said the accused stood charged with the wilful murder of one, Gertrude Dayton, on the 4th August, at the Hongkong Hotel. The murder took place under the most revolting and cold-blooded circumstances. The body was found packed in a sarcophagus trunk on the s.s. *Montague* in the harbour on August 7th. The story for the prosecution would show the movements of the accused from the time he left Manila on about the 1st of August, until the time he left this Colony on August 1st. The victim of the murder was a woman named Gertrude Dayton, who belonged to the unfortunate class in Manila. It appeared that the accused made her acquaintance some months previous to the crime, and was acquainted with her for at least two months in Manila. On July 31st, or August 1st, the accused left Manila in company with Gertrude Dayton by the s.s. *Eastern*, bound for this Colony. The *Eastern* arrived here on August 3rd, and was met by the Hongkong Hotel launch with the Hotel runner on board; and he would give evidence that amongst others he brought off from the *Eastern* were two passengers travelling under the names of Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Jones. He took them in his launch to the Praya, and from the Praya to the Hongkong Hotel, and there they registered and were given a room—room No. 184. They apparently went up to the room, and nothing extraordinary happened then. They dined at the hotel, and afterwards went away to a brothel at 52, Hollywood Road, which was commonly known as No. 12. They were there for some considerable time, and the woman ordered nine bottles of wine while she was in the house, and those nine bottles of wine were drunk by the mistress of the brothel, the accused and Gertrude Dayton, the victim. Mr. Morrell would prove that although they ordered nine bottles they did not absolutely drink nine, but nine half glasses each. The custom in these houses was that a bottle was ordered and glasses provided for as many people as were in the room, which in this instance was three. The wine was then tipped into the glasses, but as it was fizzing the while they only half filled. The accused and Gertrude Dayton were in this house till about midnight, and during this time they had the nine bottles of wine, which as stated amounted in all to about nine half glasses to each person. The mistress of the house stated that the woman was the worse for liquor, but the man was not. The woman introduced the man with her as Jones, the name under which he registered in the hotel, and tried to borrow money in the house on some Post Office Orders which would be produced before the Court. There were fourteen orders of \$10 gold each. The man was carrying them at the gold each. The man was carrying them at the time, and the woman asked him to produce them to the mistress of the brothel. The man produced them and handed them to the woman, who counted them over on her lap. They did not, however, succeed in raising any money on them. Then they left the house and proceeded to another brothel at 18, Hollywood Road. They were there until between two and three o'clock in the morning, and there had another two bottles of wine which they consumed on the same principle as the wine consumed in No. 12.

His Worship—Did all this happen on the 3rd?

Mr. Morrell—On the 3rd they went to No. 12, but by the time they got to No. 18 it was the early morning of the 4th.

Proceeding, Mr. Morrell said the two left No. 18 after stating that they were staying at the Hongkong Hotel. The woman gave the mistress of the house the number of her room, but the latter could not remember it. However, they left there and returned to the hotel, and presumably arrived about 3.30 a.m. Then it was not known what happened, but presumably the crime was committed between the time of their arrival and eight o'clock in the morning. The evidence was purely circumstantial as to the crime, inasmuch as no one was actually an eye witness. But in a case of murder with malice aforethought there was very rarely an eye witness to the crime, because a man when he planned to commit murder did not ask his relatives and friends to be present. He generally did it as secretly as he could. At six o'clock on the same morning the accused went to Wan Chai and bought a sandalwood trunk which he would be identified by the shopman, who sold it to him. Whether he had committed the crime when he bought that box, or whether he was then thinking of it, was unknown, but the fact remained that at 6 a.m. he bought a sandalwood trunk which was afterwards found at the hotel. At about eight o'clock next morning he came out of his room and asked for two coolies. They came, and he told them to move a sarcophagus trunk which was afterwards found on the

Montague with the victim inside—to the lift of the hotel. They took it to the lift and it was taken down by the lift boy. On arrival in the hall below accused went to a counter clerk and borrowed \$10, for which he signed a chit. The boy asked the counter clerk to call outside coolies to carry the trunk. They were sent for and two came, and were told by accused to take the trunk. Accused got in a ricksha and went with it to the office of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. Arrived there he entered the office and told Mr. Kent he wanted the trunk book

ed to Hoikow by the s.s. *Sungari*. Papers were issued for the booking of the trunk to Hoikow, and the question arose as to the address on it, which was simply A. H. Jacks, Hoikow. Mr. Kent asked how it was to be delivered, and the accused said it was to be left till called for, as the addressee was travelling in the neighbourhood of Hoikow and would call for it. Then the accused went away, and returned an hour or two afterwards, saying that he had altered his mind as to the trunk. He would have it consigned to Sydney, as it would be more convenient. Mr. Kent thought this rather funny, but told the man to go away and come back in office hours. Accused left, but returned at four in the afternoon and removed the trunk. He engaged two coolies to take it to the bamboo wharf known as Murray Pier, and was identified by one of these coolies. Arrived there he told the coolies to put the box on a sampan, and accused went with it, and told the people aboard where to row. He told them to row down to Causeway Bay and put it on a four masted steamer which was there. This turned out to be the *Montague*. The boatman identified the accused, picking him out from eleven other men without hesitation. When the *Montague* was reached he went on board, and was met by the quartermaster. He asked the quartermaster to put the trunk in the hold, saying he would return on board later as a passenger. The quartermaster was unable to put the trunk in the hold as it was passengers' luggage, so he put it in a place kept for such luggage. On the 7th, the third day after the trunk was put on board, the people on the ship noticed a bad smell, and tried to find what was the cause of it. Eventually they traced it to the trunk put on board by the accused, opened it, and found the dead body of an adult female. The police were at once sent for, and Sergeant Watt went aboard and had the body removed to the mortuary at Kowloon. The body was taken out of the box, and medical evidence would show that it had been packed tightly in it. The head was hanging down, the thighs were flexed, and the body was pushed down tight. It took some force to remove it from the box, and when it was removed it was found that around the throat was the band of a dyed dress tied in a tight knot, which was twisted with the handle of a hair brush. The handle was still in the hand and sticking up, with the brush almost in front of the throat. The body was so decomposed that it was almost

impossible to say what had exactly caused death, but the doctor would say that the tightening of the band would have caused death. He had examined the body carefully, externally and internally, and could find no other reason for the death. Next accused was identified as having pawned here with a pawnbroker two diamonds. Among the jewellery of the victim there was a ring which one of the witnesses would say, who knew her well, had two diamonds in it. Most of the jewellery belonging to the deceased had been recovered, but that ring had not. The police then endeavoured to find the culprit. They got a very good description of him and wired to all the coast ports, and eventually the accused was arrested at Chefoo, and upon him there was found a quantity of jewellery and property which has since been identified as belonging to the deceased. From Chefoo he was sent by the cruiser *Castles* to Manila. There he was set free and at once re-arrested by the Manila police and held for extradition. Police officers' evidence and documents were sent there, the man was extradited, and now stood before the Court. Up till the time the police realised who it was they were looking for, the body had not been identified, but a woman from Manila came up who knew the deceased, and the body which had then been buried at the Colonial Cemetery was exhumed and taken into the mortuary. There the woman identified the body as that of Gertrude Dayton by the hands, certain gold filled teeth and the general conformation of the body. Since the prisoner had been here three identifications were held in the jail, when all the witnesses were given an opportunity to recognise him. No less than twelve witnesses for the prosecution identified the man. Mr. Morrell concluded by saying he would call witnesses to prove the whole story as he had opened.

J. H. Oxberry was the first. He said he was a runner employed by the Hongkong Hotel Co. He remembered the s.s. *Eastern* arriving on August 3rd, and brought some passengers of that vessel. There was a Mr. Ross and a Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones. The man in the dock was the same Mr. W. H. Jones. He had a lady with him that day. Witness took them both to the Hotel and they took a room there—room No. 184, fifth floor.

Cross-examined—Mr. Ross also put up at the hotel, but witness could not say which room he had. He knew the number of the prisoner's room because he (the prisoner) came downstairs to look for his luggage. Witness was in the office at that time. There was no special reason why he should have seen this particular registration, but he often saw people register.

Mr. Morrell—How do you know that this man called Ross was named Ross?—He registered under that name.

Mr. Morrell—I would like to address your Worship on the point.

Mr. Morrell—I think the witness should be warned not to answer the question.

Mr. Harding—It is laid down perfectly clearly in Archibald's Criminal Proceedings that in inquiring into questions objection must first be taken by the witness. Counsel on the opposite side cannot argue the question. It is laid down in two cases, and I must object to my friend making any comment at all on it.

Mr. Morrell—How many other cases are against it?

Mr. Morrell—I submit I am entitled to conduct my case in my own way, and take the witness in chronological order.

His Worship—They cannot understand English, can they?

Mr. Morrell—Even if they do I am entitled to call my witness in chronological order. I link breaks the whole chain falls.

Mr. Morrell—No witness is bound to incriminate himself or herself.

Mr. Harding—I want to take her through the interview at her house piecemeal.

Mr. Morrell—She said a chit was signed and had been destroyed, and I submit my friend has no right to go any farther.

Mr. Harding—I would like to know what your Worship's ruling is.

His Worship—if you insist upon it, Mr. Harding, I am afraid you must, but it is not a fair question.

Mr. Harding—Your Worship may perhaps alter your view when I tell you. The deceased had rings, and surely a ring would be sufficient instead of bringing out a lot of notes.

Witness—No. She wanted money to pay her bills here.

Mr. Harding—That has not been given in evidence.

Mr. Morrell—Well, you've got it now, anyway. I think the witness should be warned in a fair question that she need not answer the question.

Mr. Harding—That is not the Court's duty. His Worship—I cannot prevent the question being asked.

Mr. Morrell—But the witness can refuse to answer it.

Mr. Harding again put the question.

Witness—Must I answer?

His Worship—No, you need not answer.

Mr. Harding asked his Worship to make a note of the fact.

Proceeding, witness said Gertrude Dayton asked her to cash one of her Post Office Orders, but witness refused.

You have no idea how much money this woman had to borrow?—No.

Now you've told us the man who accompanied this woman looked young and fair. What do you think young?—About 28.

Did he have a moustache?—No he was clean shaven.

Did you know Gertrude Dayton had trouble with a woman named E. Booth in Manila?—Yes. She told me so. She said she had collected some insurance money belonging to Beatrice Booth and that was why she left Manila hurriedly.

Did she say whether that money was represented by these Post Office notes?—No.

While you were engaged in the conversation did any one come into the room?—I don't think so.

What room in your house were these people sitting in?—In the drawing room. Afterwards they went into the dining room.

How long did you know Miss Dayton?—Eight or nine years.

Do you know a woman of the name of Josie Marshall?—I know who she is.

Is she a friend of B. Booth?—I don't know, I don't know B. Booth well enough to know her friends.

Is she a friend of Gerty Dayton's?—I think she is.

Josie Marshall is in the Colony at the present time, is she not?—Yes.

Mr. Morrell—I propose to call her.

Elolia Leavitt said she was a single woman living at 44, Lyndhurst Terrace. On August 3rd she was living at 18, Hollywood Road. She knew Gertrude Dayton, and last saw her about two o'clock on the morning of August 4th. This was at 18, Hollywood Road. There was a man with her, whom apparently she was engaged with. They stayed an hour, and had two pint bottles of champagne. Out of one bottle they had half a glass each, but she did not know anything about the second bottle. Gertrude Dayton did not appear the worse for liquor; neither did the man. While in the house Gertrude Dayton told witness she was staying at the Hongkong Hotel. She also gave the number of the room, but witness could not remember it. She had met Gertrude Dayton once or twice before, but could not identify the man. Miss Dayton signed a chit for \$10. She was wearing some rings, but witness did not notice them particularly.

Cross-examined—How do you know that the man arrived by the *Eastern*?—Because the runner entered it in the launch book.

You've told us W. H. Jones haggled about the price and eventually it was reduced to \$12?—Yes.

Was the manager there?—He was near, but did not see Mr. Jones, being behind a board containing the visitors' names.

Re-examined—While witness was on duty the only people who went to the Hotel were taken there by Oxberry. The visitors' book was on the counter, and in case of married couples it was only necessary for one party to sign.

May Hempstead was the next witness. She said she was a married woman residing at 52, Hollywood Road. She knew Gertrude Dayton, and last saw her about two o'clock on the morning of August 4th. This was at 18, Hollywood Road. There was a man with her, whom apparently she was engaged with. They stayed an hour, and had two pint bottles of champagne. Out of one bottle they had half a glass each, but she did not know anything about the second bottle. Gertrude Dayton did not appear the worse for liquor; neither did the man. While in the house Gertrude Dayton told witness she was staying at the Hongkong Hotel. She also gave the number of the room, but witness could not remember it. She had met Gertrude Dayton once or twice before, but could not identify the man. Miss Dayton signed a chit for \$10. She was wearing some rings, but witness did not notice them particularly.

Cross-examined—Josie Marshall went to 18, Hollywood Road on the 9th or 10th of August. She said she was on her way to the States, and remarked that she had heard about the murder of Miss Dayton on that date.

Mr. Harding—Did you have any conversation with her about the murder?

Mr. Morrell objected to the question.

His Worship—You can ask about the conversation, but how can you get it in?

Mr. Harding—I suggest that what Josie Marshall did to this witness is evidence.

Mr. Morrell—Certainly not.

His Worship—What is the question?

Mr. Harding—I want to know what in particular she and Josie Marshall said about this murder.

His Worship—That is not evidence.

Continuing, witness said there were no other ladies in the house on the night of the 3rd or the morning of the 4th August. The boy served the wine but witness could not say whether he entered once, or more than once. Witness had never heard the name Adsets mentioned in connection with the crime until she saw it in the newspaper.

Mr. Harding—You had a conversation with Josie Marshall. Will you swear the name of Adsets was not mentioned?

Mr. Morrell—I object to that to your Worship.

My friend is trying to get facts he can't get in any other way.

Mr. Harding—I am trying to prove the veracity of the witness.

His Worship—I don't know how you are going to get the conversation in.

Mr. Harding—For the purpose of testing the veracity of this witness I submit that I am entitled to ask whether the name of Adsets was not mentioned in this conversation.

His Worship upheld the Crown Solicitor's objection.

Proceeding, witness thought Miss Marshall produced the chit (in Court) a few days ago. She did not know how Miss Marshall got possession of it. She did not know E. Booth, but Gertrude Dayton and Josie Marshall were friends. She did not know why Josie Marshall was still remaining in the Colony.

Re-examined—Witness left No. 18 either on the 12th or 13th August. The chit signed for wine belonged to the house. When witness left Miss Marshall was living in No. 18.

The hearing was adjourned until 2.15 this afternoon.

And you know nothing about the departure of the accused from the hotel?—No, nothing.

Mr. Harding here suggested that the Chinese witness ought to be called first, as if they were not, they would be speaking about the case in the meantime.

Mr. Morrell—How many other cases are against it?

Mr. Harding—Will your Worship allow me to put the question?

His Worship—What for?

Mr. Harding—Just to test the veracity of the witness. It is a link in the evidence, and if a link breaks the whole chain falls.

Mr. Morrell—No witness is bound to incriminate himself or herself.

Mr. Harding—I want to take her through the interview at her house piecemeal.

Mr. Morrell—She said a chit was signed and had been destroyed, and I submit my friend has no right to go any farther.

Mr. Harding—I would like to know what your Worship's ruling is.

His Worship—if you insist upon it, Mr. Harding, I am afraid you must, but it is not a fair question.

Mr. Harding—Your Worship may perhaps alter your view when I tell you. The deceased had rings, and surely a ring would be sufficient instead of bringing out a lot of notes.

Witness—No. She wanted money to pay her bills here.

Mr. Harding—That has not been given in evidence.

Mr. Morrell—Well, you've got it now, anyway. I think the witness should be warned in a fair question that she need not answer the question.

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(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

London, August 30th.

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LONDON, August 30th.

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It would seem that the "Grand Tour" of a generation ago has been extended so as to make a special study of the Far East. At any rate you are likely to have with you in the course of the next few months quite a number of well known people, bent on "doing" all the points of interest from Singapore to Tokyo. Parliament has risen after unusually prolonged labours and the jaded members are on the hunt for fresh scenes that are apart from the continental trippers. To begin with Mr. Robert Laidlaw, member for East Renfrewshire, and senior partner of Whiteway, Laidlaw and Co., is taking in Canada, Japan, China, India and Egypt. Colonel J. McElmont, member for East Antrim, announces his intention of coming to Hongkong to arm himself with facts as to the recruiting of Chinese Labour so that he can worry the Government on his return. I have already told you in a previous letter that Mr. T. C. Taylor, member for South East Lancashire, intends to visit you also, and he has just started with his wife, by way of Canada. He will pay special attention to the opium question.

SIDELIGHTS ON CHINESE LIFE.

Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner and Co., will publish early in October a work by the Rev. Dr. Macgowan, the well-known author of "The History of China," to be called "Side Lights on Chinese Life." A number of Chinese scenes painted by Mr. Montague Smyth in China recently will be utilised as illustrations in colour, and in addition there will be numerous photographic illustrations.

THE DREADNOUGHT TYPE OF VESSEL.

I hear that after twelve months study by Japanese experts they have come to the conclusion that the principles upon which the Dreadnought type of British war vessel is built are superior to anything yet before the world, and represent the finest fighting power. This is somewhat of a change of view since the vessel was commissioned, for the Japanese were sceptical of the ship's stability.

COUNTY COUNCIL PALACE.

After years of debate, during which the administrative offices of the London County Council have much outgrown their accommodation at Spring Garden, plans are being considered for the erection of a great County Hall on the south side of the Thames nearly opposite to the Houses of Parliament. The site alone has cost £900,000, so by the time the palace is erected the ratepayers will have paid a pretty penny for the scheme. Plans for the building have been received from the best architects of all western countries and these are now being gone through by the Royal Academician, Mr. Norman Shaw and Mr. Ridley, the Council's architect. When they have reduced the plans to ten or fifteen, eight of the best architects in Great Britain will be invited to compete at a consolatice fee of two hundred guineas. Then the designs sent in by these eight will be considered by the side of the previously selected one, and one will be selected from the number.

THE CHINESE MINISTER.

Li Chin Fan, the new Chinese Minister will arrive at the Legation in Portland Place early in October, according to present expectations.

His coming is awaited with interest and he is expected to be as active as the late Sir Chicheng Li Peng Lin, whose command of the language made his presence at public functions much in demand.

DIASTROUS CAVALRY MANOEUVRES.

There is something like consternation in military circles over the cavalry manoeuvres near Hungerford, for they have shown a singular inability on the part of officers with considerable regulation to figure with distinction.

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SHIPPING.

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JACOB DIEDERICHSSEN, German str., 623, A. Uderup, 1st Oct.—Haiphong & Hoihow 20th Sept., General—Jensen & Co.
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THENANIA, German str., 6,095, von Heil, 1st October—Shanghai and Japan ports 28th Sept., General—Hamburg America Linie.
YAWATA, Manji Japanese str., 2,360, K. Hama, 1st Oct.—Nagasaki 27th Sept., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
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HAICHENG, British str., for Swatow.
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MATTHELDE, German str., for Haiphong.
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HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SUNGHIANO	Am. str.	—	F. Wheeler		
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BOKKEO	Am. str.	—	R. Almond		
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LILANG	Am. str.	—	G. H. Pennington		
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	KUTSANG	Am. str.	—	F. Sembill		
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LEVANZO	Am. str.	—	E. J. Tadd		
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TJILWONG	Am. str.	—	Bradley		

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, POONA and YOKOHAMA	SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, POONA and YOKOHAMA	About 27th Sept.	Freight only.
Capt. F. A. Vine, R.N.E.	Capt. F. A. Vine, R.N.E.	27th Sept.	Freight only.
SHANGHAI	DELHI	About 4th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
Capt. J. D. Andrews, R.N.E.	Capt. J. D. Andrews, R.N.E.	4th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
London via Usual Ports	DELTA	Noon, 5th Oct.	See Special Advertisement.
Capt. C. L. Deniel	Capt. C. L. Deniel	5th Oct.	Advertisement.
MARSEILLE, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGA (NAMUR)	MARSEILLE, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGA (NAMUR)	About 9th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
Capt. H. W. Kenrick	Capt. H. W. Kenrick	9th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
and PORT SAID	and PORT SAID	R.N.E.	R.N.E.

For further Particulars, apply to—

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1907.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
HOIHOW and HAIPHONG	"CHIHLI"	On 3rd Oct., D'light	
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"NANCHANG"	On 3rd Oct., 4 P.M.	
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"KUOKIANG"	On 3rd Oct., 4 P.M.	
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"HUNAN"	On 7th Oct., 4 P.M.	
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 8th Oct., 4 P.M.	
CEBU & ILIOLO	"SUNGKANG"	On 10th Oct., 4 P.M.	
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA PORT	"CHANGSHA"	On 10th Oct., 4 P.M.	
DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIENS, TOWNSVILLE, B. B. ISBANE	"CHINGTU"	On 10th Oct., 4 P.M.	
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"SHAOHSING"	On 11th Oct., 4 P.M.	
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"YOCHOW"	On 16th Oct., 4 P.M.	
CHEFOO and TIENSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 1st Oct., 4 P.M.	
The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.			
† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.			
† Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates of all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.			
REDUCTION SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.			
For Freight or Passage, apply to—			
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.			11

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1907.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW	"JOSHIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 6th Oct.
AND AMOY	Capt. H. S. SMITH	at 9 A.M.
THE CHARTERED STEAMER		
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW	"FRITH JOF"	THURSDAY, 3rd Oct.
AND AMOY	Capt. O. ANDERSON	at 10 A.M.
These Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light. First-class Saloon Amidships. Unrivalled Table.		
† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.		
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.		
Hongkong, 1st October, 1907.		
T. ARIMA, Manager.		14

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	Beginning of October.
Capt. F. SEMILL	Capt. F. SEMILL	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"BOON"	About Tuesday, 8th October.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"GOEBEN"	Wednesday, 9th Oct.
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"MANILA"	10th Oct. at NOON.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR"	About Thursday, 18th October.
For further Particulars, apply to		
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.		
Hongkong, 26th September, 1907.		5

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COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

LUXURY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

THE ONLY LINE THAT MAINTAINS A REGULAR SCHEDULE SERVICE OF UNDER 11 days Across the Pacific is the "EMPEROR LINE." Saving 5 to 10 days' Ocean Travel.

11 DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER.

18 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration)

R.M.S.	TONS.	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 24th Oct.	11th Nov.
"MONTEAGLE"	6,183	WEDNESDAY, 6th Nov.	30th Nov.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,910	THURSDAY, 21st Nov.	30th Dec.
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 19th Dec.	6th Jan.
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 16th Jan.	3rd Feb.

"EMPEROR" Steamers will depart from HONGKONG at 4 P.M.

Intermediate Steamers at 12 NOON.

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI (through the INLAND SEA of JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and VICTORIA, B.C. Connecting at VANCOUVER with a Special Mail Express, and at QUEBEC with the Co.'s NEW PALATIAL "EMPEROR" Steamships, 14,500 tons register. The through transit to LIVERPOOL being 22 days from YOKOHAMA and 29 days from HONGKONG.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class Intermediate Steamers via St. Lawrence River Lines or New York 27-10.

First Class rates include cost of Meals and Birth in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent.

"R.M.S. 'MONTEAGLE'" carry Intermediate passengers only, at Intermediate rates, offering superior accommodation for that class.

Passenger Booked through to all points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to D. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China, Corner Pedder Street and Praya opposite Blake Pier.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Second half of Sept.	JAVA PORTS	First half of Oct.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	Second half of Oct.	JAPAN	Second half of Oct.
TJIMAH	JAPAN	Second half of Oct.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Oct.
TJIKINI	JAPAN	Second half of Oct.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Oct.
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	Second half of Nov.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Nov.
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of Nov.	JAVA PORTS	Second half of Nov.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Telephone No. 375.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SUEVIA," Captain Selmer, having arrived Consignee of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given to-day.

Any Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd October, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st October, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office, 25th September, 1907.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE P. O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"POONA," Captain Poona, having arrived Consignee of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given to-day.

Any Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd October, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1907.

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S. S. "YARRA," COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or a.s. "Medoc" and "Charente," in connection with the above-named Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before NOON, To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after NOON, the 7th Oct., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 7th Oct., 1907, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 7th Oct., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PARCEL MAILS, HOMEWARD.

Parcels for the United Kingdom—VIA GIBRALTAR—posted up to 5 p.m. on Friday, the 1st November, are due in London about the 7th of December, and these posted up to 5 p.m. on Friday the 15th November, are due in London on the 21st December.

With an additional fee of 60 cents, parcels may be forwarded via BRINDISI and if posted before 5 p.m. on the 15th November, would accompany the letter mail, due in London on the 16th December.

Parcels intended for New Year's delivery should also be forwarded by the mail of the 15th November, as the next parcel mail of the 29th November is not due in London till the 4th January, 1908, unless they are posted to be forwarded overland via BRINDISI in which case an additional fee of 60 cents must be paid, such parcels are due in London about the 3rd December.

The rates of postage on ordinary parcels are as follows:

For a parcel not exceeding 3 lbs. in weight	60 cents.
" 7 lbs. "	\$1.20
" 11 lbs. "	\$1.80

Under no circumstances will parcel weighing over 11 lbs. be forwarded.

All parcels containing jewellery or any article of gold or silver must be insured, all insured parcels must be sealed. The seals must bear the impression of a device or private mark. Coins must not be used for sealing purposes.

On and from the 20th October, the British Post Office, at Tientsin will be closed.

The *Deli*, with the English mail of the 6th September, left Singapore on Saturday, the 28th Sept. at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about to-morrow, the 3rd instant at 6 a.m. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 6th August, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by its all sea route on the 28th Aug., and for despatch overland on the 4th Sept.

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DATE

Fukien Maru	Wednesday, 2nd, 9.00 A.M.
Hokkien Maru	Wednesday, 2nd, 9.00 A.M.
Hokkien Maru	Wednesday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Nikko Maru	Wednesday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Liaosang	Wednesday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Courtfield	Wednesday, 2nd, 1.00 P.M.
Lockton	Wednesday, 2nd, 1.15 P.M.
Sui Tai	Wednesday, 2nd, 3.00 P.M.
Quarto	Wednesday, 2nd, 3.00 P.M.
Tjiluwong	Wednesday, 2nd, 3.00 P.M.
Chihi	Wednesday, 2nd, 5.00 P.M.
Amiga	Wednesday, 2nd, 5.00 P.M.
Jacob Diederichsen	Wednesday, 2nd, 5.00 P.M.
Friedrich	Thursday, 3rd, 8.00 A.M.
Rajah	Thursday, 3rd, NOON.
Sui Tai	Thursday, 3rd, 1.15 P.M.
Nanchang	Thursday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Krukiang	Thursday, 3rd, 3.00 P.M.
Hoiian	Thursday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Yavits Maru	Friday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.
Sui Tai	Friday, 4th, 1.15 P.M.
Chunshang	Friday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.
Yuenesing	Friday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.
Zufiro	Saturday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Delta	Saturday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Printed Matter, and Samples	10.00 A.M.
Registration	10.00 A.M.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)	
Registration, Kowloon B.O.	10.00 A.M.
No late fee.	
Letters	11.00 A.M.
Saturday, 5th, 1.15 P.M.	
Saturday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.	
Saturday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.	
Saturday, 5th, 7.00 P.M.	
Saturday, 5th, 9.00 P.M.	
Printed Matter, and Samples	10.00 A.M.
Registration	10.00 A.M.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)	
Registration, Kowloon B.O.	10.00 A.M.
No late fee.	
Letters	11.00 A.M.
Kasato Maru	Thursday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Thursday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Changsha	Thursday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Ohingku	Thursday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Sungkang	Thursday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Persia	Friday, 11th
Levanzo	Friday, 11th, NOON.
Loongpong	Friday, 11th, 3.00 P.M.
Shooshing	Friday, 11th, 3.00 P.M.
Chengming	Saturday, 12th, 11.00 A.M.
Fockang	Saturday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Yochow	Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.

EUROPE & C. INDIA via TUTICORIN.

(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.)

(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, 4th October, at 5 p.m.

Macao

Ningpo and Shanghai

Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui

Shanghai

Manila

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Karatsu, Kobe, Yokohama, Callao and Peña Iquique

Manila, Simpohnhafen, Friedrich Wilhelmshafen, Herberthöfen, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth

Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Perth

Kohkohama and Kobe

Cebu and Ililo

NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO

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Singapore, Penang and Bombay

Manila

Swatow and Shanghai

Tianjin

Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji

Swatow and Shanghai

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Hongkong, 28th August, 1907.

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October 1st.

Quotations are—

Malwa New 8773 per picul.

Malwa Old 8340 "

Malwa Older 8580 "

Malwa V. Old 8500 "

Persian fine quality 8700 "

Persian extra fine 8750 "

Fatwa New 8555 "

Fatwa Old 8930 "

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Sep. 4th—Archies, Machan, 11th—

Brisigavia, Baron Driesen, 14th—Prometheus,

Asiana, Caudia, Glenarm, Jason, Nore,

18th—Albenga, Denbighshire, Sinala, Orwell,

19th—Boon, Scandia, 21st—Sarpedon, Bel-

lomond, Morine, Ernest Simons, Hitchis Maru,

Pinsbury, 20th—Nyanza, 24th—Senegevian,

Atholl, Verona, 27th—Achilles, Polynesien,

Kinck.

ARRIVAL AT HOME.

Sep. 27th—Stentor, P. R. Luitpold, Sado

Maru.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Cruising Yacht "Kukubura," at Murray Pier, Mr. Geo. P. Lamerton, 5.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

October 1st.

ON LONDON.—

Telegraphic Transfer 2/3

Bank Bills, on demand 2/1

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2/2

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/1

Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/2

Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 2/2

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand 2/0

Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/8

ON GERMANY.—

on demand 2/7

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand 5/4

Credits, at 60 days' sight 5/5

ON BOMBAY.—

Telegraphic Transfer 165/4

Bank, on demand 166

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer 165/4

Bank, on demand 166

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight 7/3

Private, 30 days' sight 3/4

ON YOKOHAMA.—

On demand 10/8

ON MANILA.—

On demand—Pesos 109

ON SINGAPORE.—

On demand 5/1 p.c.p.m.

ON BATAVIA.—

On demand 1/3

ON HAIPHONG.—

On demand 3/4 p.c.p.m.

ON SAIGON.—

On demand 3/4 p.c.p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—

On demand 2/90

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate 2/90

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 847.30